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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY

EDWARD MINGUELA, Plaintiff,

v.

NICHOLAS C. ROMANTINO, BRANDON
T. GALLAGHER, ANTHONY M. AGUS,
ODISE A. CARR, JOSEPH D.
WYSOCKI, J. SCOTT THOMSON, MARY
EVA COLALILLO, and CAMDEN
COUNTY, NEW JERSEY,
Defendant.

Case No. 1:20-cv-01893-NLH-AMD

Civil Action

AMENDED CERTIFICATION OF DEVON M. JACOB, ESQUIRE

- I, Devon M. Jacob, an attorney seeking admission *pro hac vice* for the purposes of representing plaintiff, Edward Minguela, in the above captioned matter, hereby certify the following:
- 1. My current business address is P.O. Box 837, Mechanicsburg, PA 17055-0837, telephone 717-796-7733, email djacob@jacoblitigation.com.
- 2. I am a former municipal police officer having been employed as such by an accredited police department in the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 3. I attended the Widener University School of Law (Harrisburg), graduating in May of 2002, in the top 10% of my class.
- 4. I am a former deputy attorney general for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, where I defended the Commonwealth and its officials and employees almost exclusively in civil rights cases.

- 5. I worked for approximately eight years in an insurance defense law firm, representing municipalities and their officials and employees, almost exclusively in civil rights cases.
- 6. In total, I spent approximately 10 years serving as defense counsel in civil rights cases.
- 7. Subsequently, I joined a Plaintiffs' law firm, as the head of civil litigation, where for approximately two years, I supervised an associate and staff, while overseeing a civil rights practice devoted largely to the prosecution of civil rights cases.
- 8. In November of 2013, I opened the law firm of Jacob Litigation, Inc., a national Plaintiffs' civil rights law firm.
 - 9. I am an active member of the National Police Accountability Project (NPAP).
- 10. I am is also an active member of the American Association for Justice (AAJ) (formerly ATLA).
 - 11. In 2015, I was elected Chair of the national civil rights section of AAJ.
- 12. In 2017, the Honorable Richard A. Posner, former judge for the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, selected me to be the Director of Team Posner, Inc., for the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- In July of 2018, I was elected Chair of the national Police Misconduct Litigation
 Group of AAJ.
- 14. I have prosecuted or am currently prosecuting Plaintiffs' civil rights cases, as lead or co-lead counsel, in federal courts in PA, NV, SD, DC, LA, AZ, FL, MD, AL, TX, and MN; and a wrongful death case in state and federal court in IL.
- 15. I have been retained to file and prosecute federal civil rights cases, in 2020, on behalf of clients in AR and NJ.

- 16. I have federal jury trial experience.
- 17. Most recently, in 2019, I conducted an eight day federal jury trial, as lead counsel, without local counsel, in the civil rights case of <u>L. Alicia Rascon</u>, et al. v. Clinton H. Brookins, No. CV-14-00749-PHX-JJT (D. AZ).
 - 18. On February 21, 2020, Plaintiff filed the instant litigation.
- 19. Prior to filing the litigation, Plaintiff retained me to represent him as lead counsel in the litigation.
 - 20. I drafted the Complaint (Doc. 1) in this matter.
- 21. Pursuant to L.Civ.R. 101(c)(1), "Any member in good standing of the bar of any court of the United States or of the highest court of any state, who is not under suspension or disbarment by any court and is ineligible for admission to the bar of this Court under L.Civ.R. 101.1(b), may in the discretion of the Court, on motion, be permitted to appear and participate in a particular case."
- 22. L.Civ.R. 101(c)(1), further provides, "The motion shall contain a certified statement of the applicant disclosing each bar in which the applicant is a member in good standing including the year of admission and the name and address of the official or office maintaining the roll of such members of its bar; in lieu thereof, the motion may attach a certificate of good standing issued by the person or office maintaining the roll of the members of its bar."
- 23. On October 24, 2002, I became a member of the Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania.
- 24. I certify that I am currently, and have always been, a member in good standing of the Bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania. *See attached Certificate of Good Standing*.

25. I am also a member in good standing of the United States District Courts for the Eastern, Middle, and Western Districts of Pennsylvania; the United States Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit; and the Supreme Court of the United States:

 USDC EDPA
 (11/15/2005)

 USDC MDPA
 (11/18/2002) (See attached Certificate of Good Standing)

 USDC WDPA
 (6/16/2003)

 Third Circuit
 (4/11/2003)

 US Supreme Court
 (1/16/2018)

26. The name and address of the official or office maintaining the roll of the members of the aforementioned courts follow:

The Disciplinary Board of the Supreme Court of Pennsylvania Pennsylvania Judicial Center 601 Commonwealth Avenue, Suite 2700 Harrisburg, PA 17106 (717) 783-0990

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27. L.Civ.R. 101(c)(1), further provides, "The motion shall also contain a statement

certifying that no disciplinary proceedings are pending against the attorney in any jurisdiction and

no discipline has previously been imposed on the attorney in any jurisdiction."

28. I certify that no disciplinary proceedings are pending against me in any jurisdiction

and no discipline has previously been imposed on me in any jurisdiction.

29. I am ineligible for admission to the bar of this Court under L.Civ.R. 101.1(b).

30. Plaintiff has consented to my association with Joseph C. Grassi, Esquire, of the law

firm of Barry, Corrado, Grassi & Gillin-Schwartz, P.C., for the purpose of Mr. Grassi serving as

local counsel in this matter.

31. Pursuant to L.Civ.R. 101(c)(4), I acknowledge that only an attorney at law of this

Court may file papers, enter appearances for parties, sign stipulations, or sign and receive payments

on judgments, decrees or orders.

32. I solemnly affirm that I will support and defend the Constitution of the United

States, that I will represent my client conscientiously and ethically, and that I will conduct myself

uprightly and according to law in all cases before this court.

I certify that the foregoing statements made by me are true. I am aware that if any of the

foregoing statements made by me are willfully false, I am subject to punishment.

JACOB LITIGATION, INC.

DEVON M. JACOB, ESOUIRE

Dated: June 5, 2020

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Supreme Court of Pennsylvania

CERTIFICATE OF GOOD STANDING

Devon Myles Jacob, Esq.

DATE OF ADMISSION

October 24, 2002

The above named attorney was duly admitted to the bar of the Commonwealth of Pennsylvania, and is now a qualified member in good standing.



Witness my hand and official seal Dated: March 25, 2020

Amy Drefbelbis, Esq. Deputy Prothonotary

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<i>I</i> ,	PETER WELS	SH .	,	Clerk of this Court,	
certify that	Devon M. Jacol	, ,	Bar #	89182	
	DATE as a member o		f this Co	ourt.	
Dated at	Harrisburg, F		on	11/20/2019 DATE	
Peter J.	Welsh ERK		DE.	PUTY CLERK	